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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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In the Matter of:)	
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WALLACE BUTTERWORTH,	í	
)	CONSENT ORDER
Respondent.	ĺ	
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On February 4, 2003, the State of Arizona, Department of Insurance (the "Department"), issued a Notice of Hearing of in the matter of Wallace Butterworth ("Butterworth"). Butterworth wishes to resolve this matter without the commencement of formal proceedings, and admits the following Findings of Fact are true and consents to entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Wallace Butterworth ("Butterworth") is, and was, at all material times licensed to transact insurance as a resident life and accident/health and variable life/annuities producer, Arizona license number 52738, which license expires July 31, 2003.
- 2. Butterworth was registered as a securities salesman in Arizona with Russian River Financial Services, Inc. from December 9, 1999, to August 3, 2001. From April 12, 1995, to December 6, 1999, Butterworth was associated with Oak Tree Securities, Inc. ("Oak Tree"), an Arizona registered dealer.
- 3. Beginning around 1998, Butterworth and another Arizona licensed insurance agent, Roger Lancette, collaborated together in Senior Advisory Services, offering financial planning services and products to seniors and retired persons.
- 4. Beginning in August 1999, Butterworth participated with Lancette in the offer and sale of membership interests in Hotel Connect LLC ("Hotel Connect") to clients of Senior Advisory Services. Butterworth participated in the sale of interests in Hotel Connect to four investors, who were told that their funds would be used to operate a hotel long distance and

operator service for the purpose of generating a profit for investors.

- 5. Investors in Hotel Connect were also told that they could expect yields on their investments of 14% during year one and up to 20% annual yields during year five of the program.
 - 6. Investors in Hotel Connect never received any returns on their investment.
- 7. From January 2000 through June 2000, Butterworth offered and sold business opportunities for Mobile Cash Systems, LLC, consisting of the sale of wireless terminal cash ticket machines ("WTMs") together with service agreements. Investors were supposed to receive monthly payments resulting from a share of the profits generated from the operation of their equipment.
- 8. On February 2, 2000, Butterworth sent a letter to two insurance clients recommending that they withdraw funds from annuities they held and invest the money in a program called Mobile Cash Systems ("Mobile Cash"). If the clients agreed with this recommendation, Butterworth promised to rebate the full amount of the surrender penalties they would incur from the early withdrawal of the annuity funds. Butterworth claimed that if the clients invested \$175,000 in the Mobile Cash program, they would receive a monthly minimum income, tax-free, of \$1895.83.
- 9. Investors in the Mobile Cash program received monthly payments beginning in April 2000, even though no WTM machines were ever placed in operation. Around March 2001, the payments to investors stopped.
- Opportunity for Hearing Regarding Proposed Order to Cease and Desist, for Restitution, for Administrative Penalties, for Revocation, and for Other Affirmative Action In the Matter of Hotel Connect LLC, Mark Alan Melkowski, Sr., Eagle Communications, Inc., Ronald Lee Goble dba Southwest Trust & Financial, Gary Lyle Christian dba Cornerstone Senior Planning, Hyland A. Stokes dba Estate Planning Protection, Roger Lancette dba National Advisory Services and Senior Advisory Services, and Wallace Butterworth dba Senior Advisory Services,

Docket No. S-03444A-01-0000. The Corporation Commission alleged that Butterworth and the other named respondents sold membership units in Hotel Connect and wireless cash ticket machines through Mobile Cash as unregistered securities and failed to fully disclose the risks of these investments.

- 11. On October 30, 2001, Butterworth consented to a Corporation Commission Order to Cease and Desist, Order of Restitution and Order for Administrative Penalties in Docket No. S-03444A-01-0000, Decision No. 64185. Butterworth admitted encouraging his insurance clients to sell their annuities and invest the funds in Mobile Cash investments. He also admitted that he failed to disclose all of the risks of these investments. Finally, Butterworth admitted that investors in Hotel Connect did not receive their promised returns on their investment, and that investors in Mobile Cash received some monthly payments even though the cash ticket machines were never placed in service. Butterworth was ordered to cease and desist from selling unregistered securities and was ordered, along with other named Respondents, to pay restitution of \$260,000 plus 10% interest to Hotel Connect investors and \$505,000 plus 10% interest to Mobile Cash investors. Butterworth was also ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$25,000.
- 12. Butterworth admitted the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained in this Order both for the purposes of the proceedings before the Corporation Commission and any other administrative proceedings before the Corporation Commission or any other agency of the State of Arizona. In this same Order, Butterworth further agreed not to take any action or to make, or permit to be made, any public statement denying directly, or indirectly, any Finding of Fact or Conclusion of Law in the Order or creating the impression that the Order was without factual basis.
- 13. On January 28, 2003, Butterworth Consented to an Order to Cease and Desist, Order of Restitution, Order for Administrative Penalties, Decision No. 65558, Docket No. S-

03472A-02-0000, In The Matter of Scottsdale Financial Funding Group, LLC; Martin & Griffin, LLC; Gregory B. Gill aka Gregory P. Gill; Hayden Keith Holland; Tad L. Ulrich & Associates, LLC; Tad Lyn Ulrich, Senior Advisory Services, LLC; and Wallace Butterworth. In the Consent, Butterworth admitted the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained in this Order both for the purposes of the proceedings before the Corporation Commission and any other administrative proceedings before the Corporation Commission or any other agency of the State of Arizona. In this same Order, Butterworth further agreed not to take any action or to make, or permit to be made, any public statement denying directly, or indirectly, any Finding of Fact or Conclusion of Law in the Order or creating the impression that the Order was without factual basis. Butterworth admitted that he solicited investors in two investment programs: the "Credit Investors, LLC Non-Performing or Consumer Debt Program" ("Credit Investors") and the "M&G Factoring or Accounts Receivable Management Program" ("M&G Program"). He further admitted that he persuaded 10 investors to invest at least \$617, 855 in Credit Investors and seven investors to invest at least \$310,902 in the M&G Program.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Respondent's conduct as alleged above constitutes violating any provision of this Title or any rule, subpoena or order of the Director, within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-295(A)(2).
- 3. Respondent's conduct as alleged above constitutes using fraudulent, coercive or dishonest practices, or demonstrating incompetence, untrustworthiness or financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business in this state or elsewhere, within the meaning of A.R.S. §20-295(A)(8).
- 4. Respondent's conduct as alleged above constitutes an unfair method of competition or an unfair or deceptive act or practice in the business of insurance, within the meaning of A.R.S. §20-442.

- 5. Respondent's conduct as alleged above constitutes making any representation to any policyholder for the purpose of inducing or tending to induce the policyholder to lapse, forfeit, surrender, retain or convert any insurance policy, within the meaning of A.R.S. §20-443(5).
- 6. Grounds exist to suspend, revoke or refuse to renew Respondent's insurance licenses, impose a civil penalty upon them and order restitution pursuant to A.R.S. §§20-295(A), 20-295(D) and 20-295(F) and §20-456(B).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Butterworth's insurance producer's license shall be revoked upon the issuance of this Order.
 - 2. The hearing set for March 6, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. shall be vacated.

CHARLES R. COHEN, Director Arizona Department of Insurance

CONSENT TO ORDER

- Respondent Butterworth has reviewed the foregoing Findings of Fact,
 Conclusions of Law and Order.
- Respondent Butterworth admits the jurisdiction of the Director of Insurance,
 State of Arizona and admits the foregoing Findings of Fact and consents to the entry of the foregoing
 Conclusions of Law and Order.
- 3. Respondent Butterworth is aware of his right to notice and a hearing at which he may be represented by counsel, present evidence and cross-examine witnesses. Respondent Butterworth irrevocably waives his right to such notice and hearing and to any court appeals relating to this Consent Order.
- 4. Respondent Butterworth states that no promise of any kind or nature whatsoever, except as expressly contained in this Consent Order, was made to him to induce him to enter into this Consent Order, and that he has entered into this Consent Order voluntarily.
- 5. Respondent Butterworth acknowledges that the acceptance of this Consent Order by the Director is solely to settle this matter against it and does not preclude any other agency, officer or subdivision of this state from instituting civil or criminal proceedings as may be appropriate now or in the future.

Date 3-3-03

Wallace Butterwort

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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE INSURANCE LICENSE

I, Charles R. Cohen, Director of Insurance for the State of Arizona, do hereby authorize the licensee named hereon to transact the kind of insurance in Arizona for the license types below;

License Type

DISABILITY

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